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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 238

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 238 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 1C-2 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/1C-2)

7 Sec. 1C-2. Block grants.

8 (a) For fiscal year 1999, and each fiscal year thereafter,  
9 the State Board of Education shall award to school districts  
10 block grants as described in subsection (c). The State Board of  
11 Education may adopt rules and regulations necessary to  
12 implement this Section. In accordance with Section 2-3.32, all  
13 state block grants are subject to an audit. Therefore, block  
14 grant receipts and block grant expenditures shall be recorded  
15 to the appropriate fund code.

16 (b) (Blank).

1 (c) An Early Childhood Education Block Grant shall be  
2 created by combining the following programs: Preschool  
3 Education, Parental Training and Prevention Initiative. These  
4 funds shall be distributed to school districts and other  
5 entities on a competitive basis. Not less than 14% of the Early  
6 Childhood Education Block Grant allocation of funds ~~this grant~~  
7 shall be used to fund programs for children ages 0-3, ~~which~~  
8 ~~percentage shall increase to at least 20% by Fiscal Year 2016.~~  
9 Beginning in Fiscal Year 2016, at least 25% of any additional  
10 Early Childhood Education Block Grant funding over and above  
11 the previous fiscal year's allocation shall be used to fund  
12 programs for children ages 0-3. Once the percentage of Early  
13 Childhood Education Block Grant funding allocated to programs  
14 for children ages 0-3 reaches 20% of the overall Early  
15 Childhood Education Block Grant allocation for a full fiscal  
16 year, thereafter in subsequent fiscal years the percentage of  
17 Early Childhood Education Block Grant funding allocated to  
18 programs for children ages 0-3 each fiscal year shall remain at  
19 least 20% of the overall Early Childhood Education Block Grant  
20 allocation. However, if, in a given fiscal year, the amount  
21 appropriated for the Early Childhood Education Block Grant is  
22 insufficient to increase the percentage of the grant to fund  
23 programs for children ages 0-3 without reducing the amount of  
24 the grant for existing providers of preschool education  
25 programs, then the percentage of the grant to fund programs for  
26 children ages 0-3 may be held steady instead of increased.

1 (Source: P.A. 98-645, eff. 7-1-14.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
3 becoming law.".